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A.—The matter has been referred to the Superintending Engineer for report.

Irrigation of Soda Sudamani, Nannilam.

* 410 *Q.*—Mr. V. PANTULU AYYAR : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether any petition was received from the Secretary of the Mirasidars' Association, Nannilam taluk, regarding the defective irrigation of the Kodamurti called the Soda Sudamani, east of Kodavasal, and, if so, whether any action was taken upon it ?

A.—No such petition can be traced in the Government records.

Levy of penal water-cess in East Godavari district.

* 411 *Q.*—Mr. P. PEDDIRAJU : Will the hon. the Law Member and the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Collector levied penal water-cess on consolidated wet lands in the East Godavari district in the year 1924–25, simply because the lands were irrigated before 15th June 1924 ; if so, whether the Government authorized the same and for what reasons ; and

(*b*) what was the amount so collected in the said year ?

A.—The Government have no information but have called for a report.

Irrigation advisory boards.

* 412 *Q.*—Mr. P. PEDDIRAJU : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government passed any orders regarding the formation of separate Irrigation advisory boards for each of the districts in the Godavari and Kistna deltas ; and

(*b*) if so, for which districts ?

A.—The hon. Member is referred to G.O. No. 273 I., dated 3rd July 1925, which has been placed on the Editors' Table.

Sangameswaram and Kistna reservoir projects.

* 413 *Q.*—Mr. P. PEDDIRAJU : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have sanctioned a separate establishment for the investigation and preparation of estimates for the Sangameswaram project and the Kistna reservoir project ; and

(*b*) if not, whether the Government intend to do so ?

A.—(*a*) No.
(*b*) Not at present.

Silt clearance and conservancy in Godavari delta irrigation channels.

* 414 *Q.*—Mr. P. PEDDIRAJU : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Government have called from the local officials for a programme of work with reference to silt clearance and conservancy of the irrigation channels in the Godavari delta as promised by the hon. Member at the time of budget discussion in 1924 ;